

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 558**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Feuer**

February 21, 2007

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An act relating to toxic chemicals.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 558, as introduced, Feuer. Toxic chemicals: use reduction.

Existing law requires businesses handling specified amounts of hazardous materials to submit an inventory and a business plan to administering agencies. A business is required to annually submit a completed inventory form containing information on the quantity and types of hazardous materials it handled to the administering agency of the county or city in which the business is located.

This bill would enact the Toxic Use Reduction Act of 2007, and would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to significantly reduce the use of toxic chemicals.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the
- 2 Toxic Use Reduction Act of 2007.
- 3 SEC. 2. It is the intent of the Legislature to significantly reduce
- 4 the use of toxic chemicals among manufacturers and in the
- 5 generation of toxic byproducts by enacting legislation that would
- 6 assess a fee on manufacturers based on the quantity of individual
- 7 toxic chemicals used. The fees collected would be used to fund

1 technical staff within the Department of Toxic Substances Control  
2 to assist manufacturers with toxic reduction, grants for academic  
3 research into nontoxic alternatives to toxic chemicals, and  
4 enforcement staff with the Department of Toxic Substances  
5 Control.

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